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**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE**  
**ARTICLE 2.4. ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY**

**§ 1638. Definition; application for special permit.**

(a) For purposes of this article, "oral and maxillofacial surgery" means the diagnosis and surgical and adjunctive treatment of diseases, injuries, and defects which involve both functional and aesthetic aspects of the hard and soft tissues of the oral and maxillofacial region.

(b) Any person licensed under the Medical Practice Act (Chapter 5 - commencing with Section 2000) as a physician and surgeon who possesses or possessed a license to practice dentistry in another state, but is not licensed to practice dentistry under this chapter may apply to the board on a form prescribed by the board for an oral and maxillofacial surgery permit.

(c) The board may issue an oral and maxillofacial surgery permit to an applicant who has furnished evidence satisfactory to the board that he or she is currently certified or eligible for certification in oral and maxillofacial surgery by a specialty board recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of the American Dental Association and holds a current license in good standing to practice medicine in the state.

(d) An application shall be accompanied by an application fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) and two classifiable sets of fingerprints on forms provided by the board.

Added by Stats. 1991, Ch. 629, Sec. 1

**§ 1638.3. Renewal fee; application of chapter to holder of special permit.**

(a) The fees to renew an oral and maxillofacial surgery permit shall be the same as that for renewal of a dental license as determined under Section 1724.

(b) Every provision of this chapter applicable to a person licensed to practice dentistry shall apply to a person to whom a special permit is issued under this article.

Added by Stats. 1991, Ch. 629, Sec. 1

**§ 1638.5. Automatic suspension of special permit.**

An oral and maxillofacial surgery permit shall be automatically suspended for any period of time during which the holder does not possess a current valid license to practice medicine in the state.

Added by Stats. 1991, Ch. 629, Sec. 1

**§ 1638.7. Occupational analysis to include survey of training and practices of surgeons**

The next occupational analysis of dental licensees and oral and maxillofacial facial surgeons pursuant to Section 139 shall include a survey of the training and practices of oral and maxillofacial surgeons and, upon completion of that analysis, a report shall be made to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee regarding the findings.

Added Stats 2001 ch 532 § 11 (SB 134)